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SUBJECT: S&T AGREEMENT: WATER RESOURCES: COLD WEATHER  
CONSTRUCTION TECHNIQUES

REF: MOSCOW 7726

FOR SCICOUNS

1. LETTER OF APRIL 29 FROM SOVIET PROJECT COORDINATOR  
KUDOYAROV TO US COUNTERPART FREDERICK BROWN PROPOSED  
RECIPROCAL EXCHANGE OF DELEGATIONS THIS YEAR, AND  
SUGGESTED THAT USDEL VISIT IN AUGUST OR SEPTEMBER. PLEASE  
INFORM KUDOYAROV THAT US SIDE WELCOMES THESE PROPOSALS,  
AND US PROJECT TEAM TENTATIVELY PLANNING TO ARRIVE MOSCOW  
SEPTEMBER 24 FOR ABOUT TWO-WEEK PERIOD, FOR JOINT  
DISCUSSIONS AND APPROPRIATE FACILITY VISITS.

2. US TEAM WILL INCLUDE, IN ADDITION TO BROWN, DREUTY  
PROJECT COORDINATOR DEAN R. FREITAG (TECHNICAL DIRECTOR,  
COLD -REGIONS RESEARCH AND ENGINEERING LABORATORY, CORPS  
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(CHIEF, CONSTRUCTION DIVISION, BUREAU OF RECLAMATION

ENGINEERING RESEARCH CENTER, DENVER); AND ANDREW ASSUR

(CHIEF SCIENTIST, COLD REGIONS LABORATORY, CORPS OF ENGINEERS). ASSUR WILL ASSIST AS INTERPRTER.

3. US SIDE WILL BE GLAD TO ARRANGE RETURN VISIT BY SOVDEL DURING LATTER PART OF YEAR, AS KUDOYAROV SUGGESTED. DETAILS CAN BE DISCUSSED DURING SEPTEMBER MEETING.

4. BROWN PROPOSES THAT INITIAL EXCHANGE OF VISITS SHOULD BE CARRIED OUT ON "SENDING SIDE PAYS" B " ITH POSSIBILITY OF ADOPTING "RECEIVING SIDE PAYS" ARRANGEMENTS FOR FUTURE IMPLEMENTATION TO BE DISCUSSED.

5. LETTER FROM BROWN WITH ADDITIONAL DETAILS WILL BE TRANSMITTED SHORTLY. TO FACILITATE PLANNING, WOULD APPRECIATE HEARING ASAP WHETHER PROPOSED DATES FOR US TEAM'S VISIT ACCEPTABLE.

6. REGARDING PROPOSAL TO TRANSFER PROJECT TO ENERGY AREA (REFTEL), PLEASE INFORM SOVIET SIDE THAT WE UNDERSTAND SOVIET LEAD AGENCY IS NOW MINISTRY OF POWER AND ELECTRIFICATION BUT IN OUR VIEW SUBJECT MATTER IS MUCH MORE CLOSELY RELATED TO WATER RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT AND ASSOCIATED ENGINEERING AND CONSTRUCTION THAN TO ENERGY AS SUCH. WE THEREFORE DO NOT WISH TO MOVE PROJECT; (TRANSFER WOULD IN ANY EVENT REQUIRE APPROVAL OF THE JOINT COMMISSION). EACH SIDE IS OF COURSE FREE TO MAKE WHATEVER INTERNAL ARRANGEMENTS IT MAY CONSIDER DESIRABLE FOR ITS OWN ADMINISTRATIVE PURPOSES AND TO EFFECT WHATEVER LIAISON IS CONSIDERED NECESSARY OR APPROPRIATE BETWEEN COLLEAGUES WORKING IN WATER RESOURCES AND ENERGY FIELDS. KISSINGER

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